

## PTO Meeting 1.24.25

### Minutes

### Calendar

- **Jan 31 - Student Council Movie Night - more info coming soon**
- **Feb 3-7: Beginning of Scholastic Book Fair. Info coming soon with a schedule; volunteers are needed.**
- **Feb 5: Literacy Night, more info coming**
- **Feb 7-8: Addams Family School Musical Performance**
- **Feb 12 & 13: 5th-8th grade conference ½ day for all students**
- **Feb 14: School closed - teacher in service**
- **Feb 14-23: Mid-Winter Break (School Closed)**
  
- Holiday Shop Recap (Suggestions for next year)
  - Positive Feedback - if additional feedback let Komal know
  - Lower Prices this year
  - Made \$2300 that week - goes back to the school
- Staff Contribution Recap
  - \$17,699 - how much all reps raised - highest ever collected!!!
  - We were able to up everyone's amount, including giving to cafeteria workers
- Spring Dance for Students
  - Tossing around ideas now.
  - Aiming for April this year
  - Would love feedback, any help from parents. Big undertaking.
  - Themes welcome!
- Yard Sale Fundraiser
  - Idea - to sell tables. People can sell items. We will follow up on this.
- Parent Committee for Middle School Students
  - Would like to put together a committee of parents to support and help out on middle school events.
  - Comms coming out soon.
- PTO Questions
  - Question: Yard Sale - where does money go to? Money for tables goes to school, money on sale of items goes to yourself (the seller).
  - Question: Lost & Found: there is ONE lost and found in the vestibule outside of the auditorium. It's open every day at the end of the day until 3:30.
- Guest Speaker - Angelly Shahani
  - Topic: Immigration challenges in the community
  - Knowledge Share Document created to help families/the community
  - Advocacy: sign petition to push immigration trust out (protects NJ, from local law enforcement to cooperate with ICE)
  - Destigmatize status for our community - be an available resource people can go to

- Call for Help: any lawyers, anyone with an immigration advocacy background. Reach out to Angelly, she will add you as a resource of the school.
- Translation: If any language translation is available to help translate the document - please reach out.
- Document will be made available on PTO chat.
- Middle School Presentation
  - Note: Visitations at the Middle School will be set up
    - New electives program
    - Performing Arts Workshop
    - Coursework review
  - Student Panel Discussion
  - Guest Speakers (Parents) sharing their experience
  - Q&A
  - Check website - featuring alumni, middle school students - see their stories/trajectories